

# Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSMO) Advisory Committee

#### MEETING MINUTES

DATE:

Friday, October 22, 2021

TIME:

8:30 a.m.

LOCATION:

**Hybrid Virtual** 

## Chairman Doug Jamison, Presiding

## Voting Members Present:

Mr. Brett Blackadar, Altamonte Springs

Mr. Cade Braud, City of Orlando

Mr. Kelly Brock, City of Casselberry

Mr. Michael Cash, City of Sanford

Ms. Krystal Clem, City of Lake Mary

Mr. Hazem El-Assar, Orange County

Mr. Kevin Felblinger, City of St. Cloud

Ms. Kimberly Tracy, City of Maitland

Mr. Bryan Homayouni, Central Florida Expressway Authority

Mr. Doug Jamison, LYNX

Mr. Jean Jreij, Seminole County

Mr. Carl Kelly, University of Central Florida

Mr. Steve Krug, City of Ocoee

Mr. Steven Kane, Osceola County

Ms. Kathy Lee, Osceola County

Mr. Butch Margraf, MPO Appointee

Mr. Nabil Muhaisen, City of Kissimmee

Ms. Lee Pulham, Reedy Creek Improvement District

Mr. Brian Sanders, Orange County

Mr. Ramon Senorans, Kissimmee Gateway Airport

Ms. Anjum Mukherjee for Mr. Shad Smith, City of Longwood

Ms. Sarah Walter, City of Winter Park

Mr. Jim Hitt for Ms. Pam Richmond, City of Apopka

Mr. Charlie Wetzel, Seminole County

## Voting Members Absent:

Mr. Brad Friel, GOAA

Cmsr. Ed Gold, City of Belle Isle

Mr. Travis Mathias, Town of Windermere

Mr. Christopher Schmidt, City of Winter Springs

# Non-Voting Members/Advisors Present:

Mr. Eric Gordin, FTE

## Non-Voting Members/Advisors Absent:

Mr. Glen Hammer, Osceola PS Lt. Brad McDaniel, Seminole County Sheriff's Office Vacant, Orange County CTST

#### Others in Attendance:

Ms. Rakinya Hinson, FDOT

Mr. Siaosi Fine, FTE

Mr. Eric Hill, MetroPlan Orlando

Mr. Alex Trauger, MetroPlan Orlando

Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Virginia L. Whittington, MetroPlan Orlando

Mr. Nick Lepp, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Lara Bouck, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Mary Ann Horne, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Lisa Smith, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Sarah Larsen, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Cathy Goldfarb, MetroPlan Orlando

## I. Call to Order

Chairman Doug Jamison called the meeting to order at 8:33 a.m. and welcomed everyone. Chairman Jamison detailed the hybrid virtual meeting guidelines, the raise hand feature to be recognized, and the public comment procedures. He noted that the virtual meetings were accessible to all.

## II. Confirmation of Quorum/Agenda Review/Staff Follow-up

Ms. Lisa Smith conducted the roll call and confirmed a quorum. Mr. Eric Hill reviewed hybrid meeting procedures, noting that MetroPlan Orlando's meetings were following CDC guidelines. He called attention to the Blind Experience event November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00 a.m. and the Florida AV Summit being held November 29<sup>th</sup> to December 1<sup>st</sup>. Additional information on these items is included in the agenda packet. Mr. Hill noted that there were two informational presentations being given for action items. The presentation, he added on Federal Stimulus projects was now being presented by Mr. Jack Adkins, FDOT and the MTP Amendment request would be presented by Mr. Nick Lepp. He introduced

two new TSMO members, Mr. Steven Kane, Osceola County and Mr. Dean Fathelbab, City of Casselberry.

## III. Public Comments on Action Items

None

#### IV. Action Items

## A. Approval of the August 27, 2021 TSMO Meeting Minutes

Approval was requested of the August 27, 2021, meeting minutes which were provided.

MOTION: Mr. Hazem El Assar moved to approve the August 27, 2021 meeting minutes. Mr. Cade Braud seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously

## B. Presentation on Federal Stimulus Projects

Mr. Jack Adkins, FDOT introduced a presentation on the projects being funded in the MetroPlan Orlando region as a result of the federal stimulus program under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). He noted that the projects selected included I-4 Beyond the Ultimate projects both north and south and would help advance and enhance mobility and help with safety Note: This presentation provided a detailed description of the projects that will be included in requests to amend the 2045 MTP and FY 2021/22 - 2025/26 TIP during the December Committee and Board meetings. Ms. Catalina Chacon presented details on the I-4 Beyond the Ultimate stimulus projects in Orange, Osceola and Seminole Counties. She also provided an overview on the I-4 Beyond the Ultimate and details on the westbound express lane called the "Tube", along with the Sand Lake Road, Daryl Carter Parkway and SR535 interchanges. Ms. Chacon told TSMO Members that FDOT employed new tool available to them to advance projects. She reviewed opportunities, the evaluation approach and new parameters. FDOT was able to identify a future bottleneck issue that they were looking to alleviate short term with the Tube. Ms. Chacon provided information on the segment's status and timeline. She provided an example of a typical section for the I-4 Beyond the Ultimate interim westbound express lane. Discussion ensued regarding entering and exiting the Tube, barrier wall and buffer separation, enforcement, Tube speed limit and anticipation of possible future changes.

## C. Presentation on I-4 Beyond the Ultimate Project

Ms. Catalina Chacon and Mr. Todd Helton, FDOT, gave a presentation on the current status of the I-4 Beyond the Ultimate project.

#### D. FDOT Amendment to 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan

Mr. Nick Lepp, MetroPlan Orlando staff, requested the TSMO to recommend that Table 6 in the 2045 MTP be amended to include the I-4/Sand Lake Road Interchange and express lane project from west of SR 528 to west of Kirkman Road and the I-4 express lane project from west of Central Florida Parkway to west of SR 528. A letter from FDOT stating that this project was consistent with the SIS Cost Feasible Plan was provided, along with a fact sheet prepared by MetroPlan Orlando staff.

MOTION: Mr. Nabil Muhaisen moved to approve the amendment to the MTP. Mr. Hazem El Assar seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously

## E. FDOT Amendment to FY 2021/22 - 2025/26 TIP

Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando staff, requested the TSMO to recommend that the FY 2021/22 - 2025/26 TIP be amended to include the federal stimulus projects. The amendment included the following projects:

- FM #4411133 I-4 at Daryl Carter Pkwy. Interchange
- FM #4443151 I-4 at Sand Lake Road from west of SR 528 to west of Kirkman Road
- FM #4443153 I-4 from west of Central Florida Pkwy. to west of SR 528

A letter from FDOT staff explaining the amendment request was provided along with a fact sheet prepared by MetroPlan Orlando staff and the draft resolution to be presented at the November 10<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.

MOTION: Mr. Hazem El Assar moved to approve the amendment to the TIP. Mr. Brett Blackadar seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

## F. Appointment of Officer Selection Subcommittee

Action was requested to approve the establishment of a subcommittee to select candidates to serve as the TSMO Chairman and Vice-Chairman from January through December 2022. Mr. Hill thanked Chairman Jamison for his two years of service. He requested volunteers to serve on an Officer Selection Subcommittee. Mr. Hazem El Assar, Mr. Steven Cane and Nr, Charlie Wetzel volunteered to serve. Mr. Hill told TSMO members that the subcommittee will meet sometime soon after this meeting to determine a slate of officers for approval at the December meeting.

MOTION: Mr. Steven Kane moved approval of the TSMO Officer Selection Subcommittee. Mr. Brian Sanders seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

## G. Approval of the Proposed 2022 Board/Committee Meeting Schedule

Approval was requested of the 2022 MetroPlan Orlando Advisory Board/Committee Meeting Schedule, a copy of which was provided. Mr. Hill called attention to the May scheduled meeting falling the Friday of Memorial Day weekend. He noted that the committee could wait to see what agenda items were brought forth for that meeting and make a decision whether to cancel or not.

MOTION: Mr. Nabil Muhaisen moved to approve the 2022 MetroPlan Orlando Advisory Board/Committee Meeting Schedule. Mr. Cade Braud seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously

# V. Presentation/Status Report

## A. Update on MetroPlan Orlando TSMO Program

Mr. Eric Hill provided an update on the MetroPlan Orlando TSMO Program. This included a discussion of the 2045 funding policy and program for developing the Prioritized Project List for 2026 -2045 and guidelines for screening TSMO projects. Mr. Hill noted it had been ten years since a review had been done on how to select TSMO projects and what qualifies. He reviewed the types of TSMO funding, the current guidelines, the proposed guidelines and additional considerations. Discussion ensued regarding the \$4 million cap, eligibility of planning studies and the absence of a right-of-way funding phase.

## VI. Common Presentations/Status Reports

# A. Preview of 2022 Legislative Priorities

Ms. Virginia Whittington, MetroPlan Orlando staff, gave a preview of MetroPlan Orlando's priorities for the 2022 session of the Florida Legislature.

## B. Presentation on I-4 Ultimate Project

Mr. Jeremy Dilmore, FDOT, gave a presentation on the latest status of the I-4 Ultimate project that is currently under construction from west of Kirkman Road to east of SR 434.

#### VII. General Information

## A. FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report

The latest FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report for the Orlando area was provided.

#### B. MetroPlan Orlando Board Highlights

A copy of the September 8, 2021 Board Meeting Highlights was provided.

## C. Air Quality Report

The latest air quality report for the MetroPlan Orlando area was provided.

## D. LYNX Press Releases

A set of press releases from LYNX was provided.

#### E. Blind Experience Event Flyer

A flyer for the Mobility Week Blind Experience event on November 3<sup>rd</sup> was provided.

#### F. 2021 Florida Automated Vehicles Summit

The 2021 Florida Automated Vehicles Summit was held at the Central Florida Expressway Authority office in Orlando from November 29<sup>th</sup> through December 1<sup>st</sup>. More information on the summit is available at <a href="https://favsummit.com/">https://favsummit.com/</a>.

## VIII. Upcoming Meetings of Interest to TSMO Members

## A. Next MPO Board Meeting

The next MetroPlan Orlando Board meeting was scheduled on November 10, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. in the MetroPlan Orlando Board Room, 250 South Orange Avenue, Suite 200, Orlando FL 32801.

## B. Next TSMO Meeting

The next TSMO meeting was scheduled on December 3, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. in the MetroPlan Orlando Board Room, 250 South Orange Avenue, Suite 200, Orlando FL 32801. This will be a <a href="https://www.nybrid">hybrid</a> meeting with a limited number of TSMO members, staff and members of the public attending the meeting in person. Other TSMO members, staff, members of the public and the presenters will join the meeting virtually on Zoom.

# IX. Other Business

Mr. Brett Blackadar called attention to the Florida AV Summit being held at the Rosen Shingle Creek not at CFX.

## V. Public Comments (General)

None.

## VI. Adjournment

Chairman Jamison adjourned the meeting of the Transportation Systems Management & Operations Advisory Committee at 9:35 a.m. The meeting was recorded and transcribed by Ms. Cathy Goldfarb.

Approved this 3rd day of December 2021

Mr. Doug Jamison, Chairman

Ms. Cathy Goldfarb, Senior Board Services Coordinator

As required by Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, MetroPlan Orlando hereby notifies all interested parties that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by MetroPlan Orlando with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made to include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.